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Serving the Catholic Community of the Neath Valley

Times of Holy Mass for the coming week			
Day	Time and	d Place	Intention
Sunday 22nd September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.00 pm (Sat) 6.00 pm (Sat) 10.30 am	Glynneath Neath Neath	Parish & People Patricia (nee Thompson) RIP (The Family) Louisa Hikary (Sp. Int.)
Monday 23rd September	No M	ass	
Tuesday 24th September	6.30 pm	Neath	Sr. Carmel (Sp. Int.) (Yolanda & Nantlais)
Wednesday 25th September	9.30 am 11.00 am	Neath Glynneath	Fr. Francis Rice RIP (SPCD) MICF (RIP)
Thursday 26th September Ss. Cosmas & Damian	9.30 am	Neath	Fr. Charles Lloyd RIP (SPCD)
Friday 27th September St Vincent de Paul	9.30 am	Neath	All members of the SVP (Sp. Int.)
Saturday 28th September			
Sunday 29th September 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.00 pm (Sat) 6.00 pm (Sat) 10.30 am	Glynneath Neath Neath	Private Intention Parish & People Patricia (nee Thompson) RIP (The Family)

Confessions

on request

Exposition of The Blessed SacramentFriday after Mass



Readers for this week: 21st/22nd September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday Evening: Ceri McAteer, Patrick McAteer

Sunday Morning: Sheila Williams, Babs Hunt

Readers for next week: 28th/29th September 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening: Maureen McAteer, David Reynolds Sunday Morning: Maureen Pitt, Isabel Buckingham



Please pray for those in our parishes who are sick and housebound, especially:

<u>St Joseph's:</u> Kath Wellington, Mike O'Hea, Benitia Whittington, Marjorie Grant, Gaynor Pickrell, Ana Maria, Yolanda Jones, Matilda Jones, Nicky Walsh, Ann Moruzzi, Kath Woolley, Roger Fluck, Lorna O'Brien.

St John Kemble: Maria, Harry, Peggy, Anita, Fred and Ann, Bernard.



Of your Charity, pray for those who have died, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Elizabeth Jenkins, Michael Walsh, Alfred Stanley and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

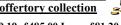
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them – may they rest in peace. Amen.



Church Cleaning

Team: 2

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 15.09.19: £485.00 Levy: £81.20 Home Missions: £161.90

Glynneath. 14.09.19: tba



Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:

Thanksgiving



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

Ann Brown RIP



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

Special Intentions M & R <u>WELCOME!</u> To all visitors. We hope you enjoy your stay in the area. Do join the gathering in the Hall after Mass on Sunday morning if you are able.

DOMSEC (The Diocese of Menevia School of Evangelisation and Catechetics): Explore the Catholic faith! See the excellent website www.domsec.org.uk

<u>Silence and Prayer before Mass:</u> In both churches there has been a request to observe silence and prayer before Mass. "Before Mass we can speak with God. During Mass God can speak to us. After Mass we can speak to each other!"

<u>Toys in Mass:</u> It is lovely to have toddlers in our Mass. Please ensure that all toys are soft-edged. It is distracting to the celebration of Mass to have toys banged, dropped on the floor.

The Diocese of Menevia - Future Options: If you did not receive the supplement as part of last week's Newsletter, please take a copy from the back of the church. There will be a meeting of parishioners in the next few weeks for a discussion of the issues raised. Please keep the future of our Parish and our Diocese in your prayers.

Beryl Crago, RIP: Please remember Beryl in your prayers, and also Lindy at this time. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> Please note that every Sunday until December already has a Mass Intention. Please think several months ahead if requesting a Sunday Mass Intention!

MacMillan Coffee Morning: This year's event will take place on Friday 27th September from 10.00 am - 12.00 in the Parish Hall.

Afternoon Tea: 29th September 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm. In order to allow preparation of home made sandwiches and cakes, tickets need to be purchased in advance. They are available from Sheila in the Shop at a cost of £5, which includes entry into the raffle. Proceeds to Church funds. Transport can also be arranged.

<u>Faith & Fellowship</u>: We meet again on Saturday 5th October from 11.15 am - 2.15 pm at St Joseph's, Port Talbot as part of the Diocesan School of Evangelisation and Catechetics Programme. The scheduled topics are: "The Great Commission and the Church" (5th Oct.), "Becoming

a new Evangeliser" (26th Oct.), "New Evangelisation Workshop" (9th Nov.), "New Evangelisation Network" (23rd Nov. at The Sacred Heart, Morriston).

September SVP Awareness Month: A tenet of the SVP is that "No work of charity is foreign to the Spirit of the Society". So wherever we encounter need we try to address it, be it material, or simply a visit to a lonely person who needs company. If you would like to support your local SVP Conference we would be very grateful - and if you are interested in joining us in our work, we would be *delighted*. Next meeting: 29th Sept. after Mass.

Cadw "Open Doors" Weekend: Once again, there is the chance to take part in a free tour of Neath Abbey, guided by the very knowledgeable Bill Zajac. Meet at the main gate at 10.00am either Sat. 28th or Sun. 29th Sept. The restoration work is well on the way to completion and the undercroft is now officially open. There will be a certain amount of standing involved. (Bill will also speak at the old Neath Abbey Ironworks site at 2.00 pm on both days. Again, no charge.)

School News

Our first weeks of the new school year have been packed with activities as we welcomed back staff and pupils after the summer. All the children have settled well into their new classes. We welcome all new pupils and their families.

We are pleased to announce for this academic year our Head boy, Daniel and Head Girl, Hannah, Deputy Head Boy, Will and Deputy Head Girl, Aimee. We have elected our School Council. The new members are: Emily, Lowri, Bodi, Elliot, Alfie, Mia, Ffion and Fern.

We have been very proud to hear about the wonderful achievements of our past pupils in this year's GCSE, AS and A Level examinations. We wish them many congratulations and the best of luck in their future career paths.

Finally, as we look forward to the coming school year we would like to thank the members of our Parish for your continued support and hope to share in the coming events of this year with you all.

There will be a Macmillan Coffee Morning 9am in the School Hall.

The Parish Hall: Is available for hire at very reasonable rates. To book, please contact Angela Healey on 01792 424168/07708105147.

meet in the hall
every Wednesday
m o r n i n g
from 9:00 -11:00 and
on Friday from 11.30 to 2.30.

Would you like to have a 7 day candle burn for an intention he Church? We have candles near the statues of the Sacred Heart, Our Lady and St Joseph, that you can request to be lit for an intention that can be published in the newsletter each week. Apart from being an age old devotional practice, the donations can help raise funds for our Church. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.